mittee has not made any separate or specific recommendation for setting up of a Council for Medical Laboratory Technologists.

Revision of interest rates on bank deposits

335. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether rates of interest on different deposits with banks have been revised twice in the past;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof with steps taken to publicise this increase by concerned banks;

(c) whether Government also proposes to revise rates of interest on savings being collected through Post Offices; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The rates of interests on deposits from public in Scheduled Commercial Banks were revised on 13-4-1991 and again on 4-7-1991.

(b) The details of the revised rates of interest on deposit from public in Scheduled Commercial banks in force at present are given below :—

Period of Deposits	Rate of Interest per annum (%)
(1) 46 days to less than one year	9.00
(2) 1 year to less than 2 years	10.00
(3) 2 years to less than 3 years	11.00
(4) 3 years and above	13.00

The above rates are already in public knowledge.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected from the Department of Posts of the Government and the same will be laid on the Table of the House.

336. [*Transferred to the 12th September, 1991*]

Investment offers from Japan

337. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the new Industrial Policy Government have under its consideration any proposals to open an establishment in Japan for a South Asian Business Publicity Centre to give wide publicity to smaller business and also to attract business tycoons of that country for investment in India;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any investment offers from Japan have been received; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the terms on which the whole matter is being decided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) India Investment Centre has an overseas office in Tokyo which looks after the promotion of foreign private investment in India.

(c) and (d) Foreign Investment offers are received from foreign companies from time to time and are disposed of in accordance with policy.

Setting up of an International Banking Corporation

338. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: